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Read the following:

From the Commissioner of Police, No.32096/F1/52 dated 20.9.51.
From the Inspector General of Police, Foc.No.2468/Act/51 dated 4.1.52.
From the Inspector General of Prisons, No.1237/S2/51 dated 4.1.52.
From the Director of Medical Services, R.32230/M/52 dated 10.6.52 and 5.8.52.

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ORDER:

The Government have examined the proposals of the Commissioner of Police, the Inspector General of Police, the Inspector General of Prisons and the Director of Medical Services, regarding the transfer of sick undertrial prisoners in Jails in the mufassal to hospitals in the Madras City for specialised treatment. They consider that the only practicable and proper course is to remove the undertrial prisoners requiring specialised treatment in any of the hospitals in the Madras City, temporarily to the Penitentiary, Madras and to take them back to their respective Jails after the treatment is over so that suitable arrangements may be made by the Superintendent of the Penitentiary, Madras to provide guards for them while in the hospital without having to fritter away man-power by providing a separate guard for each individual prisoner in the hospital. They are, however, of the view that the hospitals at Madurai, Coimbatore, Tiruchirapalli and Visakhapatnam, particularly the King George Hospital at Visakhapatnam, can undertake practically to whole range of operations or treatment ordinarily required and that transfer to Madras should be the exception rather than the rule and should be resorted to only if it becomes inevitable. They accordingly direct:

(i) that sick undertrial prisoners in jails in the mofussil, requiring specialised treatment in any of the hospitals in the Madras City should be removed temporarily to the Penitentiary, Madras and taken back to their respective Jails after the treatment is over, subject to the condition that the transfer should be made only when it is absolutely necessary and when the undertrial prisoners cannot be treated in any of the other big hospitals such as those at Madurai, Coimbatore, Tiruchirapalli and Visakahpatnam, if they are nearer.

(ii) that the Superintendent of the Penitentiary, Madras should send a consolidated requisition for arranging police guards for the prisoners while in the hospital and that the Commissioner of Police, Madras should so adjust the strength of the guard according to the actual requirements, as not to fritter away man-power by providing a separate guard for each individual prisoner in the hospital. Similar arrangements should, if necessary, be made by the concerned Superintendent of Jail and District Superintendent of Police for arranging police guards to prisoners sent to the Headquarters Hospitals at Madurai, Coimbatore, Tirhchirapalli, and Visaknapatnam.

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2. The Inspector General of Prisons is requested to decide in consultation with the Director of Medical Services the circumstances in which transfer of an undertrial prisoner should be to Madras for treatment and not to one of the other hospitals, if they are nearer, and to issue suitable instructions in the matter.

(By order of the Governor of Madras)

V.K. Dharma Rao Mudaliar,
Addl. Deputy Secretary to Government

To
The Commissioner of Police, Madras-8
The Inspector General of Prisons, Madras.
The Inspector General of Police, Madras-4.
The Director of Medical Services, Madras; thro' Health Department
All Collectors and District Magistrates.
All Sessions Judges.
The Registrar, High Court, Madras.
Copy to Health Department.

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